

Public Participation in the Risk Management Process

Individual Chemical Risk Management

Up to 90 Days	60 Days	Up to 60 Days
Agency reviews comments and revises individual chemical risk assessment; releases individual chemical risk assessment; may develops risk management options *Registrants, other stakeholders may submit risk management proposals at any time during this process. Such proposals will be placed in the docket when EPA opens the comment period and will be treated as public comment during the comment period.	Agency solicits risk management comments *60-day comment period *Decision criteria used in risk management decisions *Where appropriate, meet with affected stakeholders *Minutes from all stakeholder meetings placed in docket, including meetings with affected registrants *Comments can include risk management proposals	EPA considers all comments and publishes final risk management decisions on individual chemicals. *Regulatory tools used for implementation of decisions.

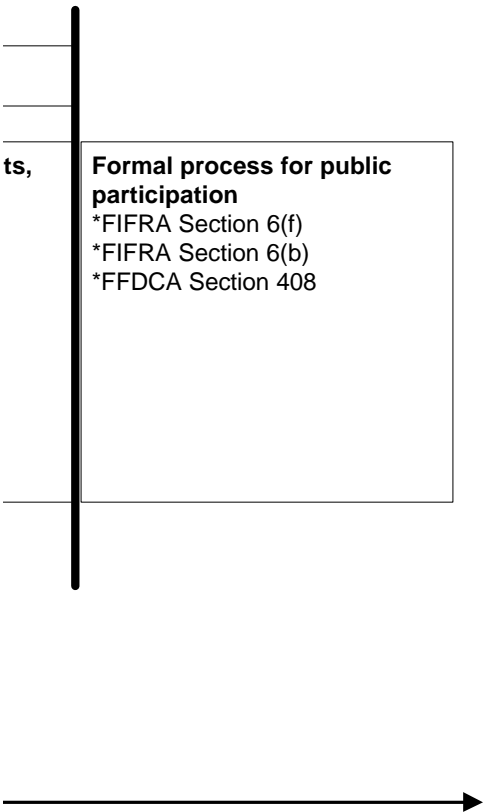
End of public comment
period on preliminary risk
assessment

***USDA involvement
throughout, as
appropriate***

Cumulative Risk Management

Cumulative risk management process will be conducted, to the extent practicable, using the steps above for Individual Risk Management. Public participation opportunities will be established at key steps in the process, e.g., EPA will seek public comment after the completion of the cumulative risk assessments, and on proposed risk management actions.

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